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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Matthew L. Parsons et al.
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For: DEVICE AND METHODS
FOR THE MANIPULATION
OF ORGANS

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.114

This Amendment and Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is responsive to the Office Action mailed April 6, 2004 (herein referred to as "Office Action").

Applicants respectfully request entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the application in view thereof.

It is believed that this Amendment is timely filed on or before July 6, 2004. Notwithstanding, should this Paper not be considered timely filed, Applicant hereby requests a retroactive extension of time to file for the number of months required to maintain pendency of the Application.

Please amend the application as follows: